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Dear Mr. Minister:

What a lovely surprise to receive a box of tulip bulbs from you! They are certainly a bright spot among the vast amount of official mail which has come at the same time.

I plan to plant them in my small garden. Then in the spring, they shall be a reminder of a warm and friendly greeting from Holland to a resident of the State of Virginia.

Please accept my appreciation for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely yours,

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